

ABSTRACT

A process and apparatus for treating fish or other animals by introducing tasteless smoke or carbon monoxide into the respiratory system, so that it is absorbed into the edible muscle tissue through the circulatory system. In one embodiment, tasteless smoke or carbon monoxide is entrained or dissolved in water in which fish are swimming. In another embodiment, tasteless smoke or carbon monoxide is introduced into a foam that is applied to the fish. Devices for entraining or dissolving the tasteless smoke or carbon monoxide into water or foam are also described.